

**The Middletown Transcript**  
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**A GOOD SHOWING**  
From a 70 cent tax rate, an empty treasury and a floating indebtedness of \$50,000 to a 55 cent tax rate and a balance in bank of \$218,500 is a far cry. But such is the record made by the Republican majority of the Levy Court of this County in three years. And it is reasonably certain that a further reduction of 10 cents will be made for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 1904. This result has not been reached by any penurious method. No necessary work or repairs has been neglected. But economy and an entire absence of grafting have been the rule. All the Republican members are entitled to credit for this showing, but to none is more to be praised than Mr. Willits. His active participation and insisting on business methods have been largely the means to the end. With his experience, the county would be a great gainer, could he be continued in office. This sixth district would honor itself by making him his own successor.

**TRAT TYPEWRITER**  
"The Levy Court has decided to buy that typewriter about which there has been so much discussion. The matter was rather surprising after the statement made by Clerk of the Peace Quigley several weeks ago that he made no request for a machine and did not want it. It is not reported that he refused to accept it."

In the above, the *Evening Journal* is unfair, as it usually is when it has a grievance. It is well known that the typewriter in question is not in the office of the Clerk of the Peace, nor has it been there for several weeks. The machine was bought for the use of the Levy Court, and while at first Mr. Quigley permitted it to be kept in his office, it was, after the presentation of the bill and the objection by two members to its payment, removed into the Levy Court Chamber and there remains. The fact that a change has not been reported is a matter for the *Journal* to settle with its reporters and not with the Clerk of the Peace.

**ST. GEORGES**  
Mrs. John Gam was in Wilmington on Saturday.  
P. P. Vanheike visited Philadelphia on Monday.  
H. C. Gray and wife spent part of last week in Baltimore, Md.  
Miss Mattie Murphy spent Sunday with her parents near Newark.  
Mrs. William Aspril and son spent part of last week at Forters.  
Miss Marion Clark is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jackson in Philadelphia.  
Miss Olivia Paynter is spending ten days with Philadelphia friends.  
Mrs. Miles Clark has returned from a visit to relatives in Philadelphia.  
Prof. Randolph Pratt visited his parents at Clayton from Saturday until Tuesday.  
Mrs. Edward Gam and son Martin, visited Wilmington relatives on Saturday.  
Miss Violet Gray spent part of last week with her cousin, Miss Anna Gray, near town.  
Mrs. J. C. Shackert and son Francis, have returned from a short visit in Wilmington.  
Miss Hester Covington, of Philadelphia, has been the guest of A. O. Gray and family.  
Miss Mattie Cullis, of Chester, Pa., is being entertained by Mrs. Laura Jones and daughters.  
Miss Gertrude Swain, of Philadelphia, spent the Easter holidays with her parents, George Swain and wife.  
Mrs. Charles Cannon, of Odessa, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Shoup, part of last week.  
Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Gremes, of Bonersville, were entertained by Mrs. Theodore Jones on Saturday.  
The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening by Mr. F. B. Evans, Delta Phi, and Mr. C. W. Clash of Wilmi ngton.—Athenean.

**DELAWARE COLLEGE DEBATE**  
"Resolved, That the United States Government was warranted in recognizing the independence of the Panama Republic," is the question that the Athenean and Delta Phi Literary Societies of Delaware College will debate on the evening of April 15. The debate will begin at 7:45 o'clock, and the public is invited to attend. Mr. F. B. Evans of Elkton, Md., and Mr. E. F. Warrington of Georgetown, Delaware, will represent the Delta Phi and attack the proposition; it will be defended by Mr. Henry C. Short of Georgetown, Del., representing the Athenean Society. Two prizes offered by the Alumni of the College will be awarded to the best two debaters.

The prize offered by the Alumni for the best oration will also be competed for on the same evening by Mr. F. B. Evans, Delta Phi, and Mr. C. W. Clash of Wilmi ngton.—Athenean.

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and reflects great credit to the leader, Mrs. J. R. Milligan.  
Rev. Dr. J. R. Milligan left for Annapolis on Tuesday with his son Howard who is to enter the Naval Academy at that place. Howard's many friends regret very much his going away, but their best wishes for success go with him.  
Miss Elizabeth Stewart returned to her home in Philadelphia on Tuesday, and was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Margaret Heybold, who will also make that place her home. Mrs. Heybold will be sadly missed in the Presbyterian Church, the Christian Endeavor Society and the weekly Bible Class, in which she was an efficient worker, as well as in social circles. Her removal is regretted by host of friends.

The cantata of Red Riding Hood was repeated in Odd Fellows' Hall on Monday evening with as great success as before. The cast of characters were: Queen: Miss Sara Milligan; Prince, Clayton M. Riley; Godmother, Miss Florence Jamison; Red Riding Hood, Miss Violet Gray; her mother, Miss Daisy Clark; wolf, Fred S. Clark. Together with the hunters, woodman, fairies, brownies and the Queen's attendants, Miss Elizabeth Stewart and Adeline McCoy, it is needless to say that each part was carried out to perfection, for all who attend the entertainment in which these persons take part well know their ability and the grand success that attends their efforts. Enough commendation cannot be given for the cantata which had the affair in charge.

The following officers were elected in the M. E. Sunday School on Sunday morning for the ensuing year: Superintendent, R. W. C. Gray, Jr.; Assistant, Rev. O. L. Martin; Treasurer, J. B. Nelson; Secretary, Miss Bessie Davidson; Assistant, Miss Hattie Batten; Organist, Mrs. J. R. Milligan; President, J. B. Nelson; Treasurer, Rev. O. L. Martin.

A meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of New Castle Presbytery, met in Salisbury, Md. on April 12th/13th and 14th. A delightful meeting is expected. Delegates will be sent from the Presbyterian Church here.

**ODESSA**  
Miss L. Erbel Mailly is a Wilmington visitor.  
Miss L. N. Corbit is the guest of Philadelphia friends in Wilmington.

Miss Emma Carpenter is visiting relatives in Philadelphia.  
Mrs. William H. Eccles was a Wilmington visitor Tuesday.

Miss Emma C. Hallett spent Easter with her parents in Milford.  
Mrs. Howard V. Woodall is visiting her mother at Still Pond, Md.

George Moore, Jr., of Salisbury, Md., spent Sunday with his parents.  
Mrs. Howard Morris, of Chester, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Rhen.

Miss Viola H. Cleaver returned Monday after an extended visit with relatives in Wilmington.  
Miss H. G. Naudin, of New York City, is being entertained at the home of Mrs. D. W. Corbit.

Miss Mary Walker, of Wilmington, and Mrs. Enoch Allen, of Middletown, visited friends in town Tuesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis and son, of Middletown, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Vandegrift.

Mr. Frank P. Long has resigned his position as conductor on the trolley and will go to business in Wilmington.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens returned Tuesday after spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Aspril, Jr.

At a meeting of the Sunday School Association on Sunday last, Mrs. Joseph H. Enos was elected delegate to attend the Sunday School Convention to be held in Laurel, April 20th to 21st. Miss Emma Eccles was elected alternate.

**ODESSA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
Pupils of Odessa public schools desiring special consideration for department and progress for the month of March are as follows: Room No. 1.—Mary Aspril, Emma Carpenter, Helen Townsend, Minnie Armstrong, Frank Greenminger, Gertrude Wallace, Henry Bingham, No. 2.—Jeanette Watkins, Elsa Muhlbauer, Elbel Ward, Emma Pennington, Mary Carpenter, Frank Keon, Mally Davis, Devani Rhodes, Preston Stevens, Helen Watkins. No. 3.—Mary Evans, Elsie McCloskey, Marion Vinyard, Emma Wallace, Lloyd Caldwell, Leon Buckson, Frank Bingham, Philip Vinyard, Andrew Miller, Leonard Wallace.

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TOWNSEND, DELAWARE,

and you will find you will have dollars in your pockets. A few SPECIALS below will convince you that we lead in LOW prices.

Specials for One Week, Commencing APRIL 6th:

Groceries	
Large can whole Tomatoes, suitable for frying.....	9c
Best Porto Rico Molasses, per gal.....	30c
Best Oline Soap.....	4c
Gold Dust or Kirkoline, package.....	4c
Best Granulated Sugar.....	5c
Full quart bottle Catsup.....	10c
This is the best home-made goods. Money back if not satisfactory.	
Quart jar best Jelly or Apple Butter.....	10c
Large package Corn Starch.....	5c
All 80c Brooms.....	25c
All 25c Brooms.....	22c
Dry Goods and Notions	
Unbleached Muslin.....	4 1/2c
This is the regular 8c kind.	
Pure silk finished Calico.....	9c
The regular selling price of this goods is 10c.	
A few remnants of best Apron Gingham.....	6c
Pure Linen Table Cloths.....	25c
Plain white or border.	
Mercerized Oxford India Linens and Nainsooks at prices unheard of.	

A full line of Chinaware, Lamps, Oil Cloth, Mattings, Window Shades and Clothing at prices that will astonish you. Come and see what you can save by dealing here. **HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR BUTTER, EGGS AND CHICKENS.**

## The Place is DeValinger's Cash Store

TOWNSEND, DELAWARE.

Our wagon will call and get your order and deliver it free of charge.

## BUY YOUR SPRING CLOTHES IN A SAFE PLACE

Oak Hall is the safe place. It has taken 40 years or more to build up a reputation which constitutes its best stock in trade, and it is not going to endanger that by doing anything less for its customers than it has done in the past.

Indeed, the character of the clothing which it is making to-day is higher than at any time in its history.

**Spring Suits, \$8.50 Up**  
**Spring Overcoats, \$7.50 Up**

By "up," we mean a price as high as \$25 for a suit or overcoat that is in every respect the equal of any \$40 garment that a merchant could turn out.

There are some particularly nobby things in top coats at \$10, \$12 and \$15. Good black suits may be had from \$8.50 up—\$22.50 buying a frock suit which any man would be proud to wear.

Don't buy until you see the reasons for Oak Hall's claim that it is a "safe" store to do business with.

**CARFARE TO PHILADELPHIA**  
If you purchase a certain amount here and show your return ticket, we pay your carfare both ways.

**Wanamaker & Brown**  
OAK HALL,  
S. E. Cor. Sixth and Market Sts., Philadelphia.

**LAND LIME!**  
Farmers, place your orders for Spring shipment now, before the rush of orders comes on. No certainty for having late orders promptly filled. We have Agency for these high grade Limes: Kerr's (Wrightsville), McCoy's (Schuylkill), and "High C." (Western Maryland.) All at the lowest prices.

**Free Trial**  
Mrs. Rorer  
G. E. Hukill

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SS.  
THE STATE OF DELAWARE,  
TO THE SHERIFF OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY,  
GREETING:—

Whereas, Mary E. Pearson by her Petition to the Judges of our Superior Court, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court in and for New Castle County, for the cause of complaint therein alleged, has made application to our said Judges that a decree may be pronounced dissolving the marriage existing between the Petitioner and Hiram E. Pearson.

We, therefore, command you, as you were heretofore commanded, that you summon Hiram E. Pearson that he be and appear before the Judges of our said Court at the next term thereof to be held at Wilmington, on Monday, the Twenty-third day of May next to answer the allegations of the said petitioner, Mary E. Pearson according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and also to do and receive what the Court shall then and there consider concerning him in this behalf as to the Court shall seem meet and consistent with the provisions of the said Act of Assembly.

And have you then there this writ.  
Witness the Honorable Chas. B. Lore, at Wilmington, the First day of February A. D., nineteen hundred and four.  
FRANK L. SPEAKMAN,  
Issued Feb. 11th, 1904. Prothonotary.

Whereas, Lydia C. Downes by her Petition to the Judges of our Superior Court, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court in and for New Castle County, for the cause of complaint therein alleged, has made application to our said Judges that a decree may be pronounced dissolving the marriage existing between the Petitioner and Rouben J. Downes.

We, therefore, command you, as you were heretofore commanded, that you summon Rouben J. Downes that he be and appear before the Judges of our said Court at the next term thereof to be held at Wilmington, on Monday, the Twenty-third day of May next to answer the allegations of the said petitioner, Lydia C. Downes according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and also to do and receive what the Court shall then and there consider concerning him in this behalf as to the Court shall seem meet and consistent with the provisions of the said Act of Assembly.

And have you then there this writ.  
Witness the Honorable Chas. B. Lore, at Wilmington, the First day of February A. D., nineteen hundred and four.  
FRANK L. SPEAKMAN,  
Issued Feb. 13th, 1904. Prothonotary.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SS.  
THE STATE OF DELAWARE,  
TO THE SHERIFF OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY,  
GREETING:—

Whereas, Robert Henry Culler by his Petition to the Judges of our Superior Court, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court in and for New Castle County, for the cause of complaint therein alleged, has made application to our said Judges that a decree may be pronounced dissolving the marriage existing between the Petitioner and Maude Culler.

We, therefore, command you, as you were heretofore commanded, that you summon Maude Culler that she be and appear before the Judges of our said Court at the next term thereof to be held at Wilmington, on Monday, the twenty-third day of May next to answer the allegations of the said petitioner, Robert Henry Culler according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and also to do and receive what the Court shall then and there consider concerning her in this behalf as to the Court shall seem meet and consistent with the provisions of the said Act of Assembly.

And have you then there this writ.  
Witness the Honorable Chas. B. Lore, at Wilmington, the First day of February A. D., nineteen hundred and four.  
FRANK L. SPEAKMAN,  
Issued March 4th, 1904. Prothonotary.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SS.  
THE STATE OF DELAWARE,  
TO THE SHERIFF OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY,  
GREETING:—

Whereas, William S. Clark by his Petition to the Judges of our Superior Court, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court in and for New Castle County, for the cause of complaint therein alleged, has made application to our said Judges that a decree may be pronounced dissolving the marriage existing between the Petitioner and Amanda E. Clark.

We, therefore, command you, as you were heretofore commanded, that you summon Amanda E. Clark that she be and appear before the Judges of our said Court at the next term thereof to be held at Wilmington, on Monday, the Twenty-third day of May next to answer the allegations of the said petitioner, William S. Clark according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and also to do and receive what the Court shall then and there consider concerning her in this behalf as to the Court shall seem meet and consistent with the provisions of the said Act of Assembly.

And have you then there this writ.  
Witness the Honorable Chas. B. Lore, at Wilmington, the Fourteenth day of March, A. D., nineteen hundred and four.  
FRANK L. SPEAKMAN,  
Issued March 21st, 1904. Prothonotary.

**CURRENT PRICES**  
MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET,  
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.  
Wheat—No. 1, \$1.02; Yellow, 52  
Timothy Seed \$2.05 55  
Clover Seed 10 1/2 54  
MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET,  
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEY.  
Eggs, per doz..... 14c  
Country Butter, per lb..... 25c  
Creamery Butter, per lb..... 23c  
Lard, per lb..... 8c  
Live Chickens, per lb..... 12c  
Potatoes, per basket..... 50c

1904 TIME TABLE 1904  
Spring Arrangements.

**The New Clio**  
Iron Steamer  
Captain HOWARD V. WOODALL,  
WILL LEAVE  
Odessa & Augustine Pier for Phila  
and RETURN FROM  
Arch Street WHARF,  
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Mails Close as follows:  
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For Warwick, Cecilton, Marlboro and Salisbury—9.40 a. m.

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## Local News.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. Ingram's.  
Removed to the middle room in the Opera House. JONES & BRADLEY.  
A fine lot of small Cedar Posts for wire fence, \$12 per hundred.  
G. E. HUKILL.  
Fresh Bread, Rolls, Cinnamon Buns every day. JONES & BRADLEY.  
WANTED: A young lady to learn dressmaking. Apply to THIS OFFICE.  
Dr. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.  
FOR SALE:—One Soda Fountain complete, in good order. Address, Lock Box, No. 321.  
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FOR SALE:—1,000 good Chestnut Posts. Apply to C. P. COCHRAN AGT., Middletown, Del.  
Our two store rooms are well filled with new spring goods, at the right price. Checks given with each sale.  
Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.  
On account of my health I will not ready furnished our home on South Broad street.  
Mrs. F. E. CONROY.  
LUND LIME Agency for "Wrightsville," "Schuykill" and "High C." high grade Limes. Best prices.  
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We have a large stock of Easter Goods, Baskets and etc. JONES & BRADLEY.  
FOR SALE:—The property of the late Marcellus Jones on South Broad street. For particulars apply to J. R. HOFFMEYER, Middletown, Del.  
We give checks with each sale. Will give premiums on these checks, Monday, May 21.  
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FOR SALE:—Chesterfield Fence Posts and Cord Wood. Apply to N. J. WILLIAMS, Middletown, Del.  
Try our Butter Biscuits, 10 cents per pound, they have no equal.  
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We have a full and well selected stock of millinery and a competent trimmer to wait on you.  
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LOST:—From the sheds of the National Hotel on Monday evening, a genuine Buffalo Robe. Suitable reward if returned to THIS OFFICE.  
EGGS FOR HATCHING:—Pure bred S. C. White Leghorns, White Wyandots and Barred Rocks, 15 for \$100; 100 for \$5.00.  
T. R. BRADSHAW, Evergreen Farm, Odessa, Del.  
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E. I. Alper, Eye Specialist, East Main street, Middletown. Office hours 8.30 A. M., to 9 P. M., every Saturday.  
Rev. C. T. Wyatt, pastor, will occupy the pulpit in Bethesda M. E. Church tomorrow, both morning and evening.  
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Until further notice the Middletown Public Library will be open on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons from 3.30 to 5, and Saturday evenings, from 7 to 8.30.  
Mr. Harry Black received a telegram Wednesday evening, announcing the death of his father John Black who resided in Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Black are attending the funeral to-day.

Unclaimed Letters:—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending March 31st: Mrs. Edith Archer, Miss Lydia Jones, John Barton, Wilmer Dale, D. C. Howell.  
We have a large stock of Easter Goods, Baskets and etc. JONES & BRADLEY.  
Beginning to-day, Saturday, I will be prepared to furnish ice cream to the public, both at the store and delivered at your home. A trial order solicited.  
C. S. MONTGOMERY, Middletown, Del.  
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George Hill, a well digger, narrowly escaped being drowned on Friday while repairing a well near Summit Bridge. He was compelled to go down the well, and tying a rope around his body, and placing the end in the hands of his assistant, started. When about half way down the rope broke and he fell in eight feet of water. He was rescued in an exhausted condition.  
Mr. Paul Weber who has purchased the building on West Main street, recently vacated by Jones & Bradley, is making many improvements to his new purchase. The interior of the building has been painted and papered on the first floor, and the entire place has been greatly beautified. Mr. Weber will open up his ice cream parlor to-day, and invites his old patrons and friends to give him a call.  
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We are now prepared to fill all orders for High Grade Fertilizers for Spring Planting from our warehouse, Middletown, Del.  
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**MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL**  
MIDDLETOWN, DEL., April 4, 1904.  
The regular monthly meeting of the town Council was held on the above date. Opened at 7.30 p. m., members present: G. V. Peveley, H. L. Davis, L. C. Scott and J. W. Denny. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A request from Mr. C. P. Cochran, asking that a committee examine the under drain running through his property, and also Mrs. Consey's. On motion a committee was appointed to meet Mr. Cochran and inspect the same.  
Dr. C. H. Green, representing Messrs. Baker Bros., asked permission to run waste water in gutter. Matter referred to the same committee.  
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Miss Minnie Messick, of Cecilton, was in town Thursday.  
Mr. Charles Griffith was a visitor in town over Sunday.  
Mr. George Moore, of Cambridge, Md., spent Sunday in town.  
Mr. Harry Johnson, of Philadelphia, was in town Monday.  
Mr. William Beaten was in Chesapeake City Wednesday.  
Mr. Grover Talbot, of Smyrna, attended the dance here Thursday.  
Miss Ada Robinson, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with friends in town.  
Mr. Gilpin Massey, of Wilmington, spent several days this week in town.  
Miss Mabel Blanchfield, of Elkton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Anna Gallagher.  
Miss Mary Walker, of Wilmington, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. G. Allee.  
Miss Eliza Green, of Washington, D. C., was the guest of her mother over Easter.  
Mr. Julian S. Taylor left Thursday for Pittsburg, Pa., where he has accepted a position.  
Miss Elsie Jones was the guest of Philadelphia friends several days during the past week.  
Mr. G. Ernest Johnson, of the Quaker City, was the guest of his father Sunday and Monday.  
Mrs. T. S. Fournace and Miss Hattie Cullen were Philadelphia and Wilmington visitors on Saturday.  
Mrs. Hugh C. Browne and little son, Hugh, of Wilmington, are guests of her mother, Mrs. H. V. Parvis.  
Mrs. Anna Gallagher who has been confined to her room for several days is much improved at this writing.  
Miss Eva E. Whitlock, of Philadelphia, and friend, Miss Bertha L. Peacock, of Honesburg, Pa., spent Easter in town.  
Mr. H. P. Shapley and little daughter Helen, of Smyrna, spent sometime with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Holten this week.  
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